

Hallo dear MMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal  
"Make More Miles on VHF" ([www.MMonVHF.de](http://www.MMonVHF.de)), dated 2009-12-18  
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.  
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page:  
<http://www.mmmvvhf.de/latest.php> - welcome and enjoy...

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Latest NEWS/INFO for the NEWSLETTER  
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal  
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#### MMMonVHF TROPHY 2009:

As well as in the past 2 years the VHF-DX-Portal MMonVHF will set up a voting in begin of january 2010 to find the "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2009. This year there will be a new modus and you can be surprised about it - keep on watching the info here at the Newsletter and on [www.MMonVHF.de](http://www.MMonVHF.de) . The voting will start 1st of january 2010 ...

SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the MMonVHF Team

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#### METEORSCATTER News:

Even in 2009, Geminids shower has produced very good meteor rates as usual. ZHR has remained over 100 hr-1 value for about 14 hours consecutively! Two maxima, reaching approximately same ZHR value (about 120 hr-1) have been observed, at about 18 UT on Dec. 13th and 01 UT on Dec. 14th; both have occurred earlier than predicted maximum time. A brief overview of 2009 Geminids shower activity is available at our MS-Propagationpage ([www.MMonVHF.de/ms.php](http://www.MMonVHF.de/ms.php) ), together with BCC-ACTIVITYMAP (where you can determine what squares have been activated in MS during BCC Test) and first predictions about 2010 Quadrantids shower.

SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMonVHF Team

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#### EME Program News:

GJTRACKER 2.05 is now up on the website in both the overall package (.zip file as well as the stand-alone .exe):

<http://bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/GJTRACKER.zip>

<http://bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/GJTRACKER.exe>

In order to allow the update to work with existing setup files, I did not change the links to any startup files....this allows you to just upgrade the .exe application file if you wish to be able to use the "maximum Degradation limit" feature in version 2.05. Each time you run the program, it will default to a zero for the Maximum Degrad. which permits all values of degradation to be displayed (just as in previous versions of the program). I also have not changed the GJHELP documentation file to reflect this feature. Remember that these Degradation values are only estimates, and may differ by up to a dB or so from the Degradation values displayed by WSJT. However, you still may find this new feature helpful to quickly determine the relative best days of the month for potential EME contacts on the VHF bands. GL and VY 73, Lance, W7GJ to MMonVHF

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#### SILENT KEYS:

Very SAD NEWS AGAIN - It has come to us notice that Nico, DB8KJ, has become Silent Key. Another great radio-gent has lost for ever. Nico was one of the famous radio amateurs in the "Eifel-Mountains" who never lost a tropo opening towards west - he was one of the first members of the VHF-DX-Group DL West and did build up the "beacon award" which is known by lot of VHFers. The Team of MMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences to his family. Rest in peace, Nico! (tnx to Reg, G8VHI, for info)

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#### NEWS from A9, BAHRAIN:

Reports indicate that "The Daily DX" is reporting that radio amateurs in Bahrain can now operate on 6 meters (50.0-50.5 MHz on a primary and exclusive basis, and 50.05-52.00 MHz on a secondary basis) and also on additional frequencies on 136 kHz 1.8 MHz, 7 MHz, 430 MHz and higher bands. However, they cannot operate on these newly allocated frequencies until their licenses are amended.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #938

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Latest DXPEDITION and EVENT NEWS - Please do use:

<http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php>

and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!

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#### \*\*\* P4 / FK52 \*\*\*

Marty, W2CG will be active as either P40C or P40CG from Aruba (SA-036) on 5-26 January. He plans to operate primarily CW and RTTY on 80-6 metres, usually between 12-14 UTC and 20-24 UTC, other times as schedule permits. QSL via W2CG, direct or bureau (but LoTW preferred). SOURCE: [TNX W2CG] via 425 Dx News #971

#### \*\*\* VK / QF67 \*\*\*

The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia will be active as VI2BI from Broughton Island on 5-7 February. The team will include Tommy/VK2IR, Peter/VK2NN, Allan/VK2GR, Raffy/VK2RF, Paul/VK2HV and John/VK3JHA, and they plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres QSL direct to VK2CL. They have a web page at <http://www.vi2bi.blogspot.com>  
SOURCE: 425 Dx News #971

#### \*\*\* J8 / FK93 \*\*\*

The Midwest 6 Meter DX Group will activate J8W9DR & J8W8IF (FK93JA) at 6 Meter from Bequia Island - More info:  
Midwest 6 Meter DX Group: [www.6meterdxgroup.com](http://www.6meterdxgroup.com)  
QSL, SASE ONLY, Mgr. KB3RHR  
SOURCE: tn timer to Craig, KB3RHR direct to MMonVHF

#### \*\*\* JD / QL17 \*\*\*

Harry, JG7PSJ (JD1BMH) and Makoto, JI5RPT (JD1BLY) will be active from Chichijima, Ogasawara from 27 December to 1 January. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, with a focus on the low bands, and via satellite. QSL via home calls. Further information, including on-line logs and QSLing instructions, can be found at <http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/> (for JD1BLY) and <http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/> (for JD1BMH).  
SOURCE: 425 Dx News #971

\*\*\* G / J001 \*\*\*

#### GB75BRS - Special Event Stations J001QX

In recognition of the historic events that took place in 1935 and 1940 which played a significant part in Britain's war effort, Bawdsey Manor will be activated on three separate occasions during 2010. During its time as the radar research centre and as an operational station for Chain Home radar, it was known by the acronym BRS Bawdsey Research Station. Special event callsigns with BRS as the suffix have been applied for to recognise this. Over the weekend of 26 to 28 Feb 2010, we will be on the air on HF, 6m and VHF, operating CW, SSB and possibly some digital modes too. The callsign requested is \*GB75BRS\*, since this operation will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Daventry Experiment, which resulted in radar development in the UK being based first at Orfordness, then at Bawdsey. Later in the year we will operate on two weekends to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the start and end of the Battle of Britain in 1940. The callsign GB70BRS has been requested. These weekends will be 5/6 June, and 18/19 Sept. Operating bands and modes will be as for the February event. Members of the public, and students from the school now based at the Manor, will be welcomed at any of the events, where there will also be display materials relating to Bawdsey's history during this period. A special QSL card will be issued to those making contact with either of the stations, and a parchment certificate will be available on request to stations who make contact with both callsigns / info about the stations, operation and QSL arrangements can be found on our web site at <http://www.bawdseyresearchstation.org.uk>  
UPDATE: 50 MHz Operators are \*M1DUD / OZ3RE\* and \*2E0IAF / OZ9SP\*. Modes of Operation on 50 MHz will be SSB/CW/WSPR/JT6M (MS)/ RTTY and possibly a demonstration on SSTV if time permits! 73 de OZ3RE  
SOURCE: CQ SIX - 50 MHz DX News #20091216

\*\*\* DEADLINE \*\*\*

... for your News (pse use: <http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php>) to the next MMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 21 UTC...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info  
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMonVHF as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources and chats like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others...

\* Many thanks to all USER who send us info and news \*

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info.  
If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our  
VHF-DX-Portal MMonVHF or if you have additional info for an  
expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at

\* [www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php](http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) or [www.mmmonvhf.de/kontakt.php](http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontakt.php) \*

The MMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as  
much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does  
not violate with our MMonVHF-Policy.

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW  
on behalf of the MMonVHF-Team  
DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX  
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME

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